



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: METHOD OF SLITTING A BATTERY SEPARATOR-USE RESIN FILM OBJECT
AND SUCH A BATTERY SEPARATOR-USE RESIN FILM OBJECT

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages. A petition for a three-month extension of time is submitted herewith, extending the due date for response to January 2, 2005.

REMARKS

Claims 1-6 are pending in the application.

Claims 1-3 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Kataoka, U.S. Patent No. 4,431,142 ("Kataoka").

Kataoka discloses a slitter, 5, in figure 15, which slits the sheet roll into four sheets by a knife or circular blades (col. 4, lines 28-36). Kataoka discloses a speed changing device for the winder which makes it possible to adjust the tension in the web as it passes through the winder